

SUPPLEMENTAL

COUNCIL AGENDA: 04-19-05

ITEM: 11.3

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Stephen M. Haase

Director of Planning

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: April 19, 2005

Approved

Date

4/19/05

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 6

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SUBJECT: PDC03-071. PLANNED DEVELOPMENT REZONING FROM HI HEAVY INDUSTRIAL TO A(PD) PLANNED DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW UP TO 390 SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENCES AND A PUBLIC PARK ON A 14.67 GROSS-ACRE SITE LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF AUZERAIS AVENUE BETWEEN SUNOL STREET AND LOS GATOS CREEK AND SOUTH SIDE OF AUZERAIS WEST OF LOS GATOS CREEK.

This is an informational memorandum regarding an additional historic evaluation of the Del Monte Plant #3. The project applicant, KB Home, commissioned a report (attached) entitled Historical Evaluation of the Del Monte Plant #3 Site, prepared by Laura Jones, Ph.D., dated Feburary 4, 2005, and in a letter dated April 15, 2005 (received April 18) has requested the report be included in the record of proceedings for the project. Additionally, a letter in support of the project dated April 18, 2005 from the Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce is also attached to this memorandum.

The cultural resources analysis in the EIR (pg. 92) prepared for the project was based on multiple historic evaluations prepared for the site. The evaluation prepared by Dr. Jones was not part of the EIR process, having been prepared after completion of the Draft EIR. The Dr. Jones evaluation was not provided to the Historic Landmarks Commission, Planning Commission, nor interested members of the public, including PACSJ. It is an additional perspective on the historic significance of the Del Monte Plant #3, rating the site as ineligible for the National or California Register, nor qualifying as a City Landmark under San Jose criteria.

The determination regarding impacts of the Project to historic resources must be based on the totality of evidence, including the analysis in the EIR. On balance, the historic evaluations conclude the Del Monte Plant #3 Warehouses 2, 3, 4 and 20 are significant historical resources and demolition of these structures would constitute a significant adverse effect on a historical resource.

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Planning, Building and Code Enforcement